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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Application No. 09/963,671; Filed: September 27, 2001
For: **Method and System for Flexible Channel Association**
Inventors: Denney *et al.*
Our Ref: 1875.1410000

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Arguments to Accompany the Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review;
2. Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review;
3. Notice of Appeal From the Examiner to The Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences;
4. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a);
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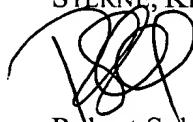
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